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In re Application of John G. ATWOOD et al.		
Application Number 10/691,186		
For THERMAL CYCLER FOR AUTOMATIC PERFORMANCE OF THE POLYMERASE CHAIN REACTION WITH CLOSE TEMPERATURE CONTROL		
Group Art Unit: 1744		Examiner: William H. Beisner

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

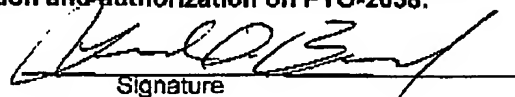
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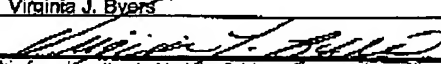
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